

Amendments to the Specification:

Please **replace** the paragraph beginning on Page 5, Line 7 which starts with, “FIG’s 3D-F illustrate” with the following amended paragraph:

FIG’s 3D-F illustrate one embodiment of a form of the fuse assembly during an arcing process; ~~and~~

Please **replace** the paragraph beginning on Page 5, Line 9 which starts with, “FIG. 4 is a diagram illustrating” with the following amended paragraph:

FIG. 4 is a diagram illustrating a flow chart of a method of impeding arcing between two ends of a fuse element; ~~and~~[[.]]

Please **add** the following new paragraph after the paragraph beginning on Page 5, Line 9 which starts with, “FIG. 4 is a diagram illustrating”:

FIG. 5 is a diagram illustrating one embodiment of a flow chart for a method of impeding arcing across a gap formed by the melting of a fuse element.